

Surface Transportation Reauthorization

Recipient Title

Amount Requested

Description

Projects of National or Regional Significance

Rebuilding our infrastructure in a way that reduces our dependence on foreign oil, and diminishes pollution in the air we breathe is key to our long term economic recovery. With these crucial projects we are investing in mass transit to provide viable alternatives to commuters, ease congestion on our roadways and increase our area's energy efficiency.

New Haven-Hartford & Springfield Commuter Rail Line

\$40,000,000

Enhanced rail travel is a vital part of the future of the nation's and the region's transportation system. This project will expand transit along the Northeast corridor and lay the groundwork for high speed rail between Hartford and New York City. It will develop the train line between New Haven, Hartford and Springfield, opening up the corridor for the economic development and job opportunities throughout New England.

New Britain & Hartford Busway

\$35,000,000

This funding will maintain efforts to build one of the country's ten energy efficient bus rapid transit projects. It will reduce traffic along the main I-84 corridor and increase the use of public transportation. By establishing a regional bus system that is convenient and user-friendly we will do a huge service to both our environment and our economy.

Greater Hartford Region Transit Hydrogen Fueling Facility

\$4,800,000

This project will build the first fast-fill hydrogen fueling facility in Connecticut and the first such facility for buses in the nation. Investments in renewable energy technologies and public transportation are vital to our economic recovery. In the next year, CTTransit will have the country's second largest fleet of fuel cell buses. But fueling for these buses takes place off-site, increasing the burden and cost of using them. This funding would help build the infrastructure necessary for a fast-fill hydrogen fueling station at location convenient for the fleet to reach.

Projects of Local Significance

Grade Separated Interchange Improvements to State Routes 218 and 187

\$4,080,000

To reduce accidents and increase economic development along an important local corridor, this project would conduct the planning and development of a grade separated interchange between State Routes 218 and 187. Over the past three years, this intersection has experienced 311 reported accidents, threatening public safety. For that reason and the economic boost an update would provide to the region, we will invest in modernizing and reconstructing this intersection.

Realignment, Widening, and Intersection Improvements on State Routes 218 & SR 185 to Maple Avenue

\$7,760,000

By widening the road and improving its construction we will foster economic development along this vital corridor. This section of State Route 218 has become a major bottleneck for traffic in the region. The area is seeing significant new medical office development and is home to the town's largest land and employment complex and its largest retail area. But concerns over congestion threaten to curtail economic development.

Silas Deane Highway Streetscape Project

\$2,227,454

This project is a major component of a plan to rehabilitate the Silas Deane Highway in Rocky Hill and Wethersfield. Specifically, the project will reconfigure a 6-leg intersection into a realigned 4-way intersection. Reinvestment in this corridor will support the preservation of farmland and green space in the state, as well as the smart growth economic development strategies of the region.

Old Main Street Bridge Over Goff Brook

\$1,285,440

The Old Main Street Bridge provides access to major highways and routes for residents of a local neighborhood. Yet, the bridge is 99 years old, is in an advanced state of disrepair, and is a serious public safety concern. This funding would help replace the bridge and keep Old Main Street safe and open to the residents who live there.

Riverfront Recapture

\$16,000,000

Riverfront Recapture is a bold initiative to develop park space along the Connecticut River amidst an urban setting in order to revitalize downtown Hartford and East Hartford. The funding would go to construct a scenic walkway and

environmental protections in the area. Additionally, funds will be used to perform a comprehensive study on ways we can open up Coltsville to the Connecticut River.

Railroad Depot Zone Revitalization

\$3,000,000

This project would help transform the Railroad Depot Zone located in East Hartford, a largely underutilized warehouse area, into commercial and business space that could create job and economic growth opportunities for the area.

Putnam Bridge Preliminary Engineering

\$7,000,000

The Putnam Bridge is a significant crossing of the Connecticut River for residents in and around Hartford. Because the condition of the bridge is currently rated as "poor" according to the State and National Bridge Inventory the bridge is a serious threat to public safety. With this funding we will reinforce the bridge, making it safer for users and removing it from the list of deficient bridges.

I-84 Viaduct Rehabilitation/Reconstruction

\$26,000,000

To enhance public safety, this project would reconstruct and improve the bridge that carries I-84 over Amtrak lines and local roads. The condition of this bridge, which has the highest average daily traffic in the state, has consistently been rated as poor and requires significant reconstruction for safety.

Route 2 Interchange Improvements and Riverside Drive

\$16,300,000

The Route 2 Interchange improvements will help connect the economic development areas of Rentschler Field and Riverside Drive with the Connecticut River for easier access to amenities and to help spur new investments. Additionally the project will extend Riverside Drive, providing greater access to the riverfront and expanding economic opportunities.

Completion of Charter Oak Greenway

\$7,870,000

This project will complete a significant section of the East Coast Greenway, a 2500 mile traffic free path that will link east

coast cities from Maine to Florida. In particular, this section will link the towns of East Hartford, Manchester and Bolton to downtown Hartford. The benefits of this project are two-fold. First, it will increase traffic to downtown commercial areas that are being revitalized. Second, it will encourage residents to bike and walk instead of drive, reducing pollution and providing opportunities for exercise.

Bradley Gateway Project

\$11,500,000

This funding will make vast improvements in the roads leading to Bradley Airport, which are seeing drastic increases in traffic and business development. A recent study found that 68 accidents have occurred in this area over an 11-month period. The proposed improvements will improve traffic circulation, safety and business development opportunities.

Downtown Roadway Redevelopment Project

\$13,524,000

This project is a major component of the overall economic redevelopment plan for Downtown Torrington. It will provide easier access to commercial and entertainment venues and encourage investment. The project will reconfigure the existing five-point intersection, creating several one-way streets which will make traffic patterns safer and more efficient. The plan will also widen sidewalks and install new energy efficient lighting for increased pedestrian safety.

Berlin Rail Preservation and Improvement

\$10,000,000

This important rail project will improve capacity on the rail line between Waterbury and Berlin. It will increase traffic and commercial development between Connecticut's industrial corridor and the urban centers of Hartford and New York City. And, by installing modern signals at rail crossings it will protect pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

Linear Park Rails to Trails Project – Phase II

\$2,690,000

This Rails to Trails Project will extend the Southington Linear Park Trail, adding a key section to the Farmington Canal Greenway and East Coast Greenway – a planned 2500 mile traffic free path that will link east coast cities from Maine to Florida.

Central Connecticut State University Bus System Expansion Project

\$1,900,000

As educational and economic opportunities expand with the development of Central Connecticut State University's East Campus, transportation must keep up. This funding would address the traffic and security issues along Route 175, improving visibility and replacing outdated infrastructure.

Hartford's Union Station – Intermodal Complex

\$5,200,000

Hartford's Union Station plays a key role in the development of one of the State of Connecticut's highest priority transportation projects, the development of commuter rail service between New Haven, Hartford and Springfield. In order to make that project a reality, key upgrades must be made to Hartford's Union Station to make it more accessible to pedestrians and improve linkages to other bus and rail transportation.

City of Hartford East Coast Greenway

\$16,000,000

The East Coast Greenway is a 2,500 mile traffic-free path linking East Coast cities from Maine to Florida. This project will develop that path in and around Hartford.

City of Hartford Complete Street Trident Improvements

\$12,000,000

This funding would provide safety and traffic improvements to key trident intersections within the city of Hartford. It will open up traffic to intersections that serve some of Hartford's major employers and commercial areas, easing rush hour traffic and safety concerns. In addition, this funding would make certain Hartford city streets handicap accessible, improve pedestrian safety and provide key infrastructure for public transportation.

Hockanum River Linear Park Extension

\$2,820,000

This Linear Park project will extend and rebuild portions of the Hockanum River Linear Park to provide local residents with healthy recreational facilities.